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Spleen, Envy, Malice, and the want of Pence,
Supply our Patriots Wit, and Common Sense.



It sometimes happens that one is edited or diverted where one least expects it. I have known a Beau talk very rationally of Divinity, and have seen a fine Lady write a very elegant Letter, and that not in her Mother-Tongue; but these are a Sort of Miracles which

ance works but seldom, and therefore when one

ness me! said Lady Easy to her Niece Fanny, were asking t'other Day what became of the son's Hare; I can tell you now! I vow it has been a great Diskindness to the poor Man. Will your Ladyship be pleased, said Captain Careless, to us a little into the Story of the Hare, for I conceive the Play should go before the Epilogue? With all my Heart, returned Lady Easy. There was a Person in Kent had a Hare, it would sit at Table, off a Plate, answer to its Name, beat a Drum, and do twenty other Tricks, which made it for a Time the Darling of the Family. One Day the Gentleman's Patron, with his Lady, dining there, the Hare was introduced, and behaved to every Body's Satisfaction. Since then the same Gentleman and Lady have been in the Country again, and upon inquiring for the Hare, was told by its Master, that his Family being tired with seeing the same Tricks over and over again, had, by the Help of a Pudding of his Wife's making, dined very heartily upon it. This, would you think it, hath given such a Dislike to the Lady of his Patron, that the poor Man hath never dined there since? In my Opinion, said the Captain, the Lady acted right; this Maxim of using Things, and then ridding ourselves of them, I look upon to be quite Foreign; and if I remember right, that great Judge of Men and Things, Mr. Slender, told me, he borrowed it from the Italians, and that he had some Thoughts of publishing a Dissertation to prove the Utility of it.

An old Fox-hunter, who sat in a Corner, and who is seldom known to speak two Words in three hours, to the Surprise of every Body, took up the Discourse. There is no Nation, said he, in the Universe, under greater Obligations to Animals than we are, and yet I think there is not any Nation that treats them worse: Our Horses, our Dogs, and our Cocks, excell those of all other Countries, and a glorious Time they have of it: During the Vigour of their Lives we exhaust their Strength and Spirits, but putting them on unreasonable Labours, when these are exhausted, we very gratefully put End to the Creatures themselves: An old Horse is assign'd to the Hounds; an old Dog is rewarded with a Halter; an old Cock receives his last from the hands of a Cookmaid, and is entomb'd in a Pot. This to me now is contrary to Reason, as well as an outrage on good Nature, which we sometimes boast as a Property inherent to a Briton. Perhaps that Gentleman (then he pointed to the Captain) will say these Customs have been imported too; truly I hope they have! and I could wish they were exported again. What say you Captain?

I say, as you say, Sir, answered he, but give me leave to mention to you an Outrage upon Animals, which I think hath not been touched upon, tho' in the Respect or other it hath, I think, been common to all Ages and all Countries. It is this. Men, to satisfy their own Malice towards each other, injure the whole Creation by their libellous Comparisons, and ascribe, to almost all the living Creatures in it, such Characters, as if the poor Creatures could speak, they would be sure to say they did not deserve. That Fellow is as loathsome as a Toad! I vow that Woman is a perfect Viper! What an Ass is such a one! This Booby of mine is as dull as a Beetle! He is a

mere Cod's-Head! These are Expressions, and many like them we hear every Day, and I think they are no less hard upon the Animals, than upon those of our own Species, whom they are intended to degrade. How so, cried Lady Easy? Why, answered the Captain, they fill our Heads with false Notions, inspire us in unreasonable Aversions, and hinder us from having that Tenderness and Benevolence which is due to all living Creatures, from Beings that boast of their Rationality as we do. What is more common than to say, *As venomous as a Snake*; and yet, according to the best Information I have been able to obtain, there is no Venom at all in a Snake. A *Camelion* makes a very pretty Figure in a Simile, but his changing Colour is the mere Effect of Imagination.

I hope, said a grave old Gentleman, who was the Master of the House, you will not deprive us, Captain, of the Right of introducing Animals into Fables, Allegories and proverbial Sayings. By no means, Sir, said he, provided always the Truth be maintained throughout, and that no unnatural Falsities be vented for the Sake of a Moral. Then, Captain, returned he, you won't suffer us to make Beasts speak. Why not, said the Captain, this deceives nobody; I speak only of such Mixtures of Truth and Fiction as are liable to impose on the Understandings of young People, to whom such Things are usually addressed. This, said the old Gentleman, I like well enough. But since we are upon this Subject, pray give me your Opinion of this Fable. My Grandson at *Eaton* translated it in the last Holidays, from an Author whose Name I cannot think of at present; but here it is.

The JACK-DAWS.

*As Hodge, the Sexton and his Son,
Upon a Sunday Afternoon,
I like Belfry were on their Affairs,
Aunt to ring the Folk to Prayers;
Father! — crys Hob, — I've found a Nest
Quite full of Young; — and I protest,
Here's Corn, — and Bacon, — ay, — and Cheese;
O La! what thieving Birds are these?
Why Jack-Daws, Boy; — but Deadly why?
Do such sad Birds to Churches fly?
Why, Numskull, — is the Cause not clear;
For Robbers, — when do Flocks look here?*

VERY well, I vow, said the Captain, the French I think, have rather the Better of us in these Things; *Le Fontaine, le Noble, Perault, Penelon, la Motte*, and Twenty more, have written very agreeably in this Way; but I don't remember any thing like this Fable in their Works. I don't believe you do, Captain, returned the old Gentleman, the Fable is a good Fable, at least it is Moral, is very honest; look you, I have seen *Jack-Daws* in Churches, and out of Churches, and with your Leave, Captain, human *Jack-Daws* very ravenous and very roguish, and yet ever very ready to fly for Shelter to some Sacred Place or other. I do not say always to the Church, for your human *Jack-Daws* have the Better of the feather'd Ones, and can Nestle in many Places besides Churches. I have heard of some that have screen'd themselves behind Thrones; and I believe there are some of my Acquaintance who hope to do so too; but I hope no succeeding Reign will afford them the Opportunity. But if they should be baulk'd there? They have the People still in Reserve. Ay! and a fine Reserve it is; for where shall we find a broader Screen than the People? These *Daws* too, have an ugly Trick of changing their Note, which serves well enough with Boys and old Women; but People of Sense distinguish their *Cawing* through all its Keys, and can swear to their being *Daws*, as well when they Bawl out *Liberty*, as when they cry *High Church for Ever!* or *Down with the Rump!* These human Birds, said the Fox-hunter, by your Description, should rather be *Rooks*. No! No! Sir, reply'd the Old Man; I tell you they are *Daws!* Down right *Jack-Daws!* Noise and Mischievous are their Talents, for which some Folks laugh at them, and some knock them o'the Head, tho' according to the Captain's Doctrine, that may be a little too hard; but I believe he will think as I do, that it is fit to drive such Guests from Churches, Courts, and publick Assem-

blies. I believe it may be so, quoth the Captain; but I don't know where we are got, our *Chit Chat* is, I think, becoming Serious: I vow, my old Friend, I believe you took the Hint of your Fable, (for I can't believe it your Grandson's) from the *Common Sense* of Saturday the 17th Instant. No matter, Sir, said he, whose the Fable is, or whence it was taken, if it hath *Common Sense* in it, and means honestly. Those, my Friend, are the main Points; for as to *sheer Wit* and *sprightly Satire*, they are like your new-fashion'd *Contes*, a Sort of Weapons seldom used to any good Purpose. But as you say, we begin to grow Serious, and therefore it is time to have done. The Ladies will presently find another Subject, and I will take this Opportunity to Retire. So ended the *Conversation*, and consequently here ends my Account of it.

R. FREEMAN.

LETTERS from Hungary say, that the Turks play upon Fort St. Elizabeth and the Fortrefs Orsova, with 16 Guns and 2 Mortars. One of the Hostages given to the Turks by the Colonel Piccolomini, Commandant of Meadia, was compelled by them to go and summon the Garrison of Orsova, and declare, that if it held out any longer, every Man should be put to the Sword; but Col. Cornberg, who commands there, shew'd him that the Cannon of the Besiegers had damaged neither the Fort nor Town, and that hitherto there had not been a Soldier kill'd; and he ask'd him whether, if he was Commander, and the Place in so good a Condition, whether he, who was not a Stranger to the Fate of General Doxat, would resolve to surrender? Adding, that for his own Part, he would sooner chuse to be bury'd under the Ruins of the Place, than surrender it.

The following Extract of a Letter from Paris, relating to the last Answer of the Court of Spain to that of England, is inserted in the Utrecht Gazette.

In order to satisfy your Request in some Measure, I must tell you, that the Extracts given in some of the publick News Papers of the King of Spain's last Answer to the Complaints of the English, are meer Invention; for his Majesty is therein made to say what he never had a Thought of inserting in that which is his real Answer. In this Piece 'tis the Marquis de la Quadra, who expresses himself in the Name of the King, and explains the Sentiments of his Majesty; who thinks in such a manner, as shews him to be a Sovereign, to whom the Rights of a Foreigner are Sacred, but at the same time to be a Prince that knows those of his own Crown; a Prince who is resolved to maintain them in case of Need, and who at the same time that he does Justice to the Subjects of another, thinks himself with much more Reason obliged to do Justice to his own Subjects. Mr. Keene, the English Minister, had referred to certain Treaties: In the Answer, 'tis demonstrated, that those very Treaties are contrary to the Cause which he defends. He complain'd that the Spanish Governors shifted off the Execution of the Orders which were sent to them. But in the Answer, 'tis asserted on the contrary, that the Subjects of England are they who have eluded the Advantage of Restitutions, and who, under Pretence of demanding them, have from time to time sent Men of War to the West Indies, laden with Merchandise, to carry on clandestine Commerce. In fine, the Answer is strong, but prudent and solid. It discovers all the Regard for Friendship, but has nothing in it of Pusillanimity nor Bravado. The Piece consists of ten full charg'd Pages in Folio, and contains an Answer as to all the Captures set forth and specify'd by the English: But the said Answer will not be made publick till the Court of England has shewn what Construction it puts upon the Matters therein alludg'd.

HOME PORTS.

Deal, June 28. Wind N.W. Remain in the Downs the Faulkland Man of War; the Dutch Ship for East India; and the Lilly. Logan, for Orders. Arrived this Morning the Mermaid, James, from Taranto and Lisbon. The Lovely Mary, Carrol,

Carrol, is sail'd for the Hope. Just came down the Strafford Man of War.

Gravesend, June 28. Passed by the William and Mary, Weyman, from Offend; and the Fox, Cumby, from Lisbon.

The Cambridge, Morris, from New England, is arrived at Dover.

L O N D O N.

Circuits appointed for the Summer Assizes by the following Justices of the Grand Sessions, for the following Counties in Wales, viz

The Hon. John Verney, Esq; Richard Portinger, Esq; Montgomeryshire, Wednesday August 23, at Poole. Denbighshire, Tuesday 29, at Wrexham. Flintshire, Monday September 4, at Flint. Cheshire, Saturday 9, at the Castle of Chester.

Richard Carter, Esq; Henry Proffert, Esq;

Radnor, Saturday August 19, at Presteigne.

Brecknock, Friday 25, at Brecon.

Glamorgan, Thursday 31, at Cardiff.

His Majesty has been pleased to promote the Right Hon. the Lord James Cavendish, Brother to his Grace the Duke of Devonshire, and Colonel of a Company in the third Regiment of Foot, to be Colonel of the Regiment of Foot lately commanded by General Montagu, deceased.

We hear that her Russian Majesty has promoted the Right Hon. the Earl of Crawford to the Command of a Regiment of Foot in her Service, his Lordship having his Majesty's Leave to be a Volunteer in her Service for three Years.

Last Night Mrs. Shaw of Brook's street, with two other Ladies, returning Home from Kensington, the Horses took Fright as they were coming over the new Bridge in Hyde Park, and ran into the Ditch at the End of the Bridge, by which Accident the Coach was turn'd upside down, the Ladies very much bruised, the Coachman so hurt that his Life is despaired of, one of the Coach Horses killed, and the other spoilt. The Ladies were carried Home in the Hon. Mr. Cook's Coach and Six, which was just by when the Accident happen'd.

Yesterday was held a General Council at Kensington; after which one of his Majesty's Messengers was dispatch'd to the Court of Spain.

Yesterday Morning Mr. George Gordon returning Home from Paddington, was attacked in one of the Fields near St. Mary-le-Bone by two Foot-pads, who robbed him of 3 s. and some Half-pence, then threw him into a Ditch and made off.

A few Days since died a poor old Woman that used to beg about the Streets of London, and lodg'd at one Bagnol's near Clerkenwell Workhouse; a little before she departed, she desired her Landlord to bury her Corpse in a decent Manner, and withal, desired him not to make away with any of her Cloaths, which he agreed to; and upon searching her Chest, he found several Broad Pieces of Gold, and few'd up in her Cloaths, he found, as 'tis said, near 400 l.

On Sunday last about Six in the Evening, was found (by some Boys washing themselves) in Tower-Ditch, a new-born Child with a String about its Neck, w^hic^h was by them brought out upon Tower-Hill, supposed to be murdered by its own Parents to hide their Shame. This shews the great Necessity for some Provision to prevent the vast Numbers of grievous Murders of this Kind.

On Wednesday last the Sessions began at the Old Bailey when 27 Prisoners were tried, 2 whereof were capitally Convicted, viz. Isaac George, a Black, for robbing Mr. John Gravenor on the Highway, and John Green, for Horse-stealing; 12 were cast for Transportation and 13 Acquitted. And

Yesterday 19 Prisoners were tried, 5 whereof were capitally Convicted, viz. Will. Moreland, Jonathan Austin, and John Fellows, for assaulting and robbing David Nicks of his Hat on the Highway; Godfrey Walker, for the Murder of John Pike, and John Wright, for sending an Incendiary Letter to Mr. Will. Dolly; 8 were cast for Transportation, and 6 Acquitted.

Casualties, Christnings, and Burials last Week. Kill'd by a Fall from the Top of a House, buried at St. Botolph without Bishopsgate, 1.

Males	140	Males	216
Christned	Females 153	Buried	Females 199
In all	293	In all	415

Decreased in the Burials this Week 6.

Whereof have died,			
Under 2 Years of Age	136	Forty and Fifty	40
Between 2 and 5	58	Fifty and Sixty	29
Five and Ten	11	Sixty and Seventy	26
Ten and Twenty	12	Seventy and Eighty	19
Twenty and Thirty	25	Eighty and Ninety	8
Thirty and Forty	51	Ninety and a Hundred	

High Water this Day } Morning | Evening
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Bank Stock 142 1-4th. India, 170. South Sea 101 1-4th to 1-half. Old Annuity 111 1-half. New ditto 111 1-half. Three per Cent. 107. 7 per Cent. Loan 112 1-4th to 1-half. Ditto 5 per Cent. 99 1-4th. Royal Assurance 110 3-4ths. London Assurance 14 7-8ths to 15. African 13 3-4ths. India Bonds 61. 18 s. Prem. South Sea ditto, 1 l. 16 s. Prem. Bank Circulation 3 l. 7 s. 6 d. Prem. Salt Tallies 1-half to 2 7-8ths Prem. English Copper 3 l. 3 s. to 5 s. Welsh ditto 15 s. Three 1-half per Cent. Exchequer Orders 6 1-4th per Cent. Premium. Three per Cent. ditto 2 per Cent. Prem. Million Bank 121 1-half.

WHereas one Joseph Scott, on Sunday the 11th of June, deserted the Service of his Master, Philip Hancock, of Leddard, St. Lawrence, in the County of Somerset. This is to give Notice, that if any Person can inform the said Philip Hancock where his Apprentice is, so that he may be brought to Justice, shall have Half a Guinea Reward; and if any Person shall detain the said Apprentice in Service after this Declaration, shall be prosecuted as the Law directs.

N. B. He is about 18 Years of Age, 5 Feet and a Half high, of a pale Complexion, and his Hair just cut off, and goes a little Knee-napp'd. He had on when he ran away, a light Grey Coat with Mistle Busters, and can work either as a Woolcomber or Husbandman.

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